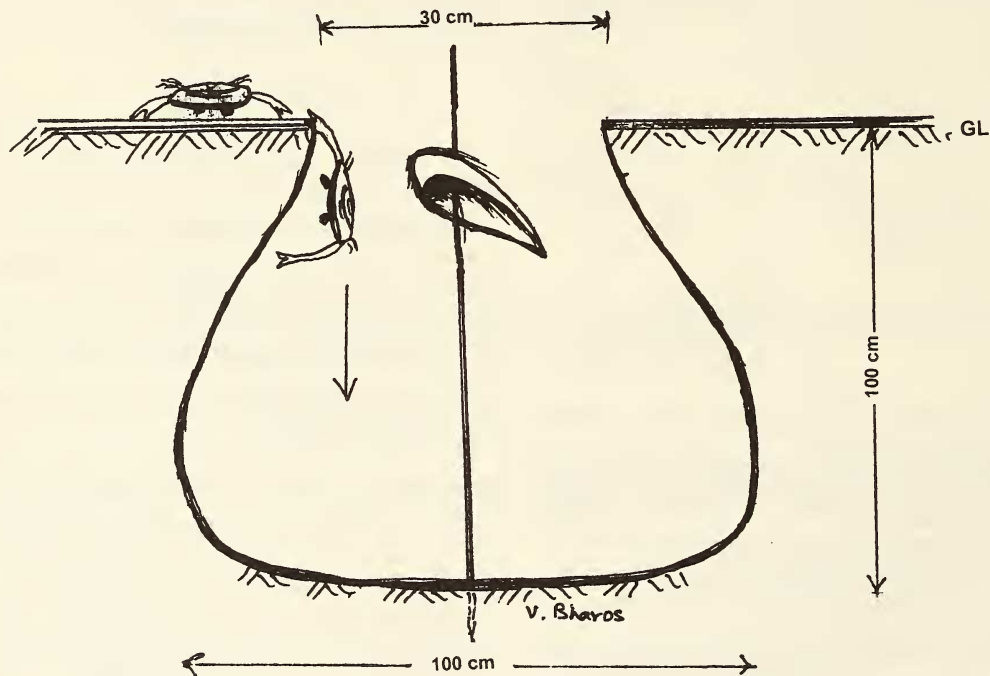


27. AN INTERESTING METHOD OF CATCHING MARINE CRABS

(With one text figure)

While wanderings on the beaches of Hame, Dabhol and Devgarh, in Ratnagiri in the Konkan region of Maharashtra, I observed an interesting

starts decomposing, attracting the crabs. No sooner than the crabs approach the pit and attempt to reach the rotting flesh, they fall inside



method of trapping marine crabs.

The trapper digs a small pitcher-shaped pit with an opening of about 30 cm to 40 cm diameter and about 1 m deep in sandy beaches, mostly near mangroves (Fig. 1).

To attract the crabs, the ear of a butchered goat or sheep is placed in each pit at the bottom, fixed with a bamboo spike. With time the flesh

and get trapped.

The catch is collected by the trapper early in the morning and taken to the market for sale.

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28. ON THE OCCURRENCE OF *LEEA MACROPHYLLA* ROXB. (VITACEAE)  
IN RAJASTHAN STATE

During a botanic exploration conducted from August 24 to 25, 1993, I observed a number of *Leea macrophylla* plants between "Bhagya

Baori" (Bhagi Baori) and Sitamata temple in Sitamata Wildlife Sanctuary, Chittorgarh district, Rajasthan. Most of the plants were observed in